

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 2485-01
Bill No.: HB- 1185
Subject: Political Subdivisions: Sewers, Sewer Districts
Type: Original
Date: January 16, 2002

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Local Government	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Department of Natural Resources (DNR)** stated that by removing the ability to sue the occupant or owner to collect an unpaid bill would not have fiscal impact to their department.

Officials of the **Little Blue Valley Sewer District** stated that this proposal would have no fiscal impact to their district.

Officials of the **City of Kirkwood** stated that the city does not provide sewer service to their residents, therefore, there would be no fiscal impact.

Oversight assumes that if Section 250.140 is the only law that regulates the collection of unpaid sewer or sewer and water combined bills, then this proposal would limit municipalities and sewer districts ability to collect unpaid bills. Oversight assumes there would be a minimal loss of revenue to certain local governments. The amount of loss, on a statewide basis, is unknown.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

<u>Loss</u> to certain Local Governments from collection of delinquent bills	<u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>	<u>(Unknown)</u>
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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Assuming there are no other sections of law which provide for the collection of delinquent sewer or sewer and water bills combined, small businesses owning a sewer or sewer and water system combined would be expected to be impacted if no provisions exist for the collection of unpaid bills.

DESCRIPTION

This bill repeals Section 250.140, RSMo, which allows a political subdivision providing sewage service or water and sewage service combined to sue the occupant or owner of a premise, or both, in a civil action to recover any sums due for such service, plus a reasonable attorney fee.

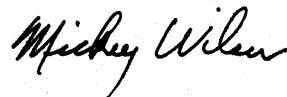
This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Natural Resources
Little Blue Valley Sewer District
City of Kirkwood

NOT RESPONDING

Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, and the Cities of: Fulton, Poplar Bluff, Independence, Raytown, Clayton, Hannibal and Maryville



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